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FOLLOWING ARE EXCERPTS FROM DEPARTMENT NOON PRESS BRIEFING
JULY 30 DEALING WITH THE CYPRUS SITUATION:

QUOTE

Q: THE SECRETARY IS REPORTED FROM GENEVA TO HAVE BEEN
EXTREMELY ACTIVE LAST NIGHT IN TALKING TO THE TURKS OVER
A CYPRUS SOLUTION. IS THAT CORRECT?

A: YES, HE WAS DIRECTLY IN TOUCH WITH FOREIGN MINISTER
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CALLAGHAN AND PRIME MINISTER ECEVIT YESTERDAY SINCE HIS

RETURN TO WASHINGTON.

Q: WAS THAT BEFORE HE SAW THE ARCHBISHOP OR AFTERWARDS?

A: I THINK IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN BOTH. IT WAS ON A NUMBER OF OCCASIONS. IT WASN'T JUST ONE TELEPHONE CALL. HE WAS IN CONSTANT TELEPHONE COMMUNICATION WITH BOTH. AND IT WENT ON INTO THE NIGHT, I DO KNOW THAT.

Q: WAS IT ENTIRELY BY TELEPHONE?

A: AS FAR AS I KNOW, YES.

Q: DID HE GET IN TOUCH WITH THE GREEK PRIME MINISTER AT ALL? THERE WAS ONE REPORT THIS MORNING TO THAT EFFECT.

A: I'M UNAWARE OF THAT.

Q: THERE WAS A PECULIAR REPORT OUT OF ATHENS SUGGESTING THAT PRIME MINISTER KARAMANLIS HAD REJECTED AN OFFER OF AMERICAN SUPPORT TO HIS GOVERNMENT.

A: I'M UNAWARE OF ANY SUCH REPORT. I HAVEN'T HEARD OF IT.

Q: AS A RESULT OF THE SECRETARY'S TELEPHONE CONVERSATIONS YESTERDAY AND LAST NIGHT, DOES THE UNITED STATES HAVE ANY INFORMATION ON THE STATE OF PLAY?

A: WE DID RECEIVE THIS MORNING ENCOURAGING REPORTS WITH RESPECT TO THE NEGOTIATIONS IN GENEVA. AS YOU KNOW, WE'RE NOT DIRECT PARTICIPANTS IN THE TALKS, SO I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO THE DETAILS OF THE NEGOTIATIONS. AND FROM THE BEGINNING OF THIS GENEVA MEETING, OUR POSITION HAS BEEN, AND REMAINS, THAT OF WANTING TO BE AS HELPFUL AS POSSIBLE IN THE EFFORTS BEING MADE BY THE GUARANTOR POWERS TO FIND A PEACEFUL SOLUTION TO THIS COMPLICATED QUESTION. WE WOULD HOPE TO PLAY AS CONSTRUCTIVE A ROLE AS THE PARTIES WANT US TO PLAY IN RESTORING PEACE AND STABILITY IN THE AREA. AND, LET ME GO ON BACKGROUND HERE, INsofar AS OUR EFFORTS GO, ANY

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INFLUENCE THAT WE MAY HAVE HERE NATURALLY DEPENDS ON THE TRUST THAT THE PARTIES MAY HAVE IN US, AND IT WAS BECAUSE OF THIS TRUST THAT LAST NIGHT WE WERE ABLE TO BREAK A PRINCIPAL DEADLOCK IN THE NEGOTIATION.

Q: WHAT PRINCIPAL DEADLOCK?

A: I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO THE ACTUAL DETAILS OF THE

AGREEMENT THAT IS TRYING TO BE REACHED IN GENEVA.

Q: COULD YOU CLARIFY FOR ME WHAT THE U.S. POSITION IS
ON THE WITHDRAWAL OF TURKISH TROOPS FROM THE ISLAND?

A: NO, I DON'T WANT TO GET INTO ANY SPECIFIC ASPECTS
OF WHAT THE TURKS -- THE GREEKS AND THE TURKS AND THE
U.K. -- I.E. THE THREE GUARANTOR POWERS -- ARE TRYING
TO WORK OUT IN GENEVA NOW. THEY ARE THE ONES THAT ARE
RESPONSIBLE, AND WE ARE TRYING TO HELP, WHEN ASKED BY
THE PARTIES, TO DO WHAT WE CAN. BUT I DON'T WANT TO
GET INTO THE SPECIFICS --

Q: I HAVE SEEN NOTHING ON THE WIRES FROM NEW YORK, AND
I WONDER IF YOU CAN TELL US WHETHER THE UNITED STATES
AMBASSADOR TO THE UNITED NATIONS IS VOTING FOR THE SOVIET
PROPOSAL AS TO CYPRUS.

A: ON THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO ANSWER IT THIS
WAY: OUR VIEW IS THAT THE GENEVA FRAMEWORK IS THE PROPER
DIPLOMATIC FORUM IN WHICH TO CONTINUE THE DISCUSSIONS
OF THE CYPRUS PROBLEMS, AND WE URGE ALL INTERESTED
COUNTRIES TO BE GUIDED BY WHAT CAN BE DONE CONSTRUCTIVELY
-- AND NOT TO INTRODUCE EXTRANEIOUS CONSIDERATIONS INTO
AN ALREADY COMPLEX SITUATION.

AS I SAID EARLIER, THIS ENTIRE MATTER IS BEING DEALT
WITH ON AN INTENSIVE BASIS BY THE GUARANTOR POWERS IN
GENEVA.

Q: DOES THAT MEAN YOU ARE GOING TO VOTE AGAINST IT, OR
ABSTAIN?

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A: I DON'T THINK THE QUESTION HAS COME UP FOR
ANY VOTE YET, AND I WOULD NOT WANT TO SAY WHAT OUR
SPECIFIC POSITION IS GOING TO BE. I WANTED TO GIVE YOU
THIS PARTICULAR ANSWER TO THAT QUESTION, INDIRECTLY.
END QUOTE KISSINGER

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